



Invitation

ESDC Pilot Course on Hostile Environment Awareness Training (HEAT)

Tbilisi, 11th to 15th November 2019

The European Union Monitoring Mission to Georgia (EUMM Georgia) and the European Security and Defence College (ESDC) are jointly organising a ***Hostile Environment Awareness Training (HEAT)*** for CSDP Missions and Operations from Monday, 11th to Friday, 15th November 2019 in Tbilisi, Georgia.

With the adoption of the new ***EU Policy on Training for CSDP*** in April 2017, appropriate training has become a mandatory prerequisite prior to deployment for all future staff, including seconded and contracted personnel. Together with the principle of "Duty of Care" training has become a key component of any systematic approach to managing the responsibility of an organisation to care for personnel deployed abroad. Hence training and deployment are interconnected.

Since CSDP missions are operating in increasingly dangerous environments, security training is an essential component in individual mission preparedness. ***This course, therefore, primarily aims at candidates 1) intending to apply for a position within a CSDP mission or operation, 2) selected to be deployed or 3) already serving in a CSDP mission or operation.***

The course aims to ***create a safety and security awareness mind-set*** and to develop the self-confidence of the individual - and the team - by providing basic knowledge in orientation, such as map reading and the use of a GPS, communication devices and essential first aid skills.

In addition ***proper behaviour in high risk situations***, such as at check points, ambushes and during hostage taking, is taught. Basic weapon, mine and IED awareness training completes the personal safety awareness package. Guidance at individual and team level is provided to help deter, detect and react during and after threatening events thus increasing the overall personal safety and security of staff members.

We therefore take great pleasure in inviting you to nominate participants for this course, which is an excellent opportunity to gain a deeper understanding of the CSDP in the global security environment and to contribute to the further development of a European security culture.

Head of Mission
EUMM Georgia

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Administrative Information

- The course is open to civilian, military and police personnel from EU Member States and from CSDP missions/operations. The course is open also to those third countries who are seconding personnel to CSDP missions.
- Attendance of the course is mandatory on all days. A certificate will be awarded to those course participants who have completed the full course, including the eLearning phase.
- All costs for travelling, accommodation and catering shall be covered by the sending authorities.
- Hotel accommodation is organised by EUMM Georgia at:
Ambassadori Tbilisi Hotel
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- For applications please use the attached **Application Form (Annex 3)** and return it completed to the ESDC secretariat (SECRETARIAT-ESDC@eeas.europa.eu) or directly to Irene-Maria Eich (irene.eich@eeas.europa.eu). The course participation will be confirmed after the expiration of the **application deadline on 1st October 2019.**
- The course will be held at the EUMM compound at:
49 Krtsanisi Street
0114 Tbilisi
Georgia
- Once participation has been confirmed, the training begins with e-Learning modules, a pre-training field quiz on driving and security skills supported by the relevant pre-reading materials, which will be made available on the ILIAS platform.

The residential part of the course will take place in Tbilisi from 11th to 15th November 2019.

All administrative information programmes and materials will be made available through the ILIAS platform.

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